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## RUMANIAN TROOPS CALLED TO COLORS

Early Action Expected, But Views Differ as to Imminence of Crisis.

### THREE BALKAN STATES FORM A CLOSER UNION

Greece, Rumania and Serbia Think Bulgaria Committed to Side of Turks.

ATHENS, September 13, via Paris, September 14.—The situation on the Rumanian frontier is not considered immediately menacing by persons in official circles here, especially in view of the fact that Rumania is not yet fully prepared for eventualities.

The tenacity of the situation has prompted steps, however, for a closer understanding between Greece, Rumania and Serbia with a view to eventual action in the event of an Austro-German attack.

Bulgaria has not been included in these negotiations, for it now is admitted that the Turco-Bulgarian agreement finally has been signed and that Bulgaria will not accept Serbian concessions.

Rumanian Troops Mobilized.

It is reported in diplomatic circles here that there has been a heavy mobilization of Rumanian troops, including several regiments of cavalry, to face an unexpected concentration of Austrians, which is directed presumably against Rumania.

Further traffic in northeastern Rumania is declared to have been suspended in favor of the troop movements. All horses have been requisitioned. The second series of reserves are now with the colors.

It is asserted that the Austro-German explanation is that the concentration is directed toward the suppression of espionage in Transylvania, but this statement is not taken seriously.

Critical Stage Reached.

LONDON, September 14.—A partial mobilization of Rumanian troops has been ordered in preparation for eventualities, following the concentration of Austrian forces in Transylvania, according to reports from Bucharest, says a Reuter dispatch from Athens.

A dispatch to the Times from Sofia says:

"The relations of Rumania with the central powers have reached a critical stage. The German government in a recent note demanded permission for the passage of Austro-German troops through Rumanian territory and the fulfillment by Rumania of an undertaking to supply benzine and other supplies to a value of forty million dollars. Over thousands of Rumanian wagons laden with war material are waiting on the Rumanian frontier."

Bulgars Continue Parley.

SOFIA, Bulgaria, September 11, via London, September 14 (delayed in transmission).—Premier Radoslawoff continues in touch with the ministers of the entente powers. He has informed them that Bulgaria has assumed no political obligations toward Turkey or the central powers as a result of the cession by Turkey of territory to Bulgaria.

Denial is given here to the report that the ministers of the entente powers have made new proposals to Bulgaria. It is stated that the entente governments are still working with Serbia with the purpose of obtaining from her satisfactory answers to the demands that Serbia cede to Bulgaria the territory desired by the latter.

The German military attaché here, Maj. Baron von der Goltz, is leaving his post. He will be replaced by Gen. von Lessow, who formerly was attached to the legation. It is stated that Baron von der Goltz is leaving voluntarily.

Charges Designs on Albania.

The statement was made in government circles here today that the reason Greece why the Monastir district of southern Serbia should not be ceded to Bulgaria (because Greece and Serbia desire to have a common border) was not the real reason for Greece's attitude, owing to the fact that no strategic interests would be involved by such cession.

The real object, it was asserted, was an understanding between Greece and Serbia that they should prevent contact between Bulgaria and Albania and the common prey of Greece and Serbia. If Albania were allowed contact with Bulgaria, it was added, the latter country would, in the interest of her national principle, work for the independence of Albania, which would be distasteful to Greece and Serbia.

The Bulgarian government has called to the colors the Macedonian legion for a training period of forty-five days. The training will begin September 15.

ORDERED TO VERA CRUZ.

Second-Class Battleships Will Replace Those of First Rank.

The second-class battleships Kearsarge and Kentucky, recently engaged in training cruises with naval militia men, and which now are being overhauled at the navy yard at Philadelphia, have been ordered to proceed to Vera Cruz to replace on that station the first-class battleships New Hampshire and Louisiana. The latter vessels have been ordered to proceed to Hampton roads for the purpose of joining the Atlantic fleet in war games and general maneuvers. It is expected that the Kearsarge and Kentucky will start work in a few days, and that the Louisiana and New Hampshire will reach the southern drill grounds the latter part of this month.

Dies of Burns Incurred in Explosion.

Ewell Bell, a third-class gunner's mate, died at Cavite, Philippine Islands, yesterday from burns received in the recent explosion aboard the torpedo boat destroyer Decatur, in which one bluejacket was killed and several injured. Bell enlisted two years ago and his father, Frank Bell, lives at Fulton, Ark.

Professor Lost in Mountains.

DENVER, September 14.—United States foresters are searching the mountains in the Estes Park region for Thornton R. Sampson, professor of church history in the Texas Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Austin. He went to Estes Park August 11 and has been missing about two weeks. Mrs. Sampson, who remained in Denver when her husband went to Estes Park, appealed to the forestry officials.

George R. Wendling Dies.

CHARLES TOWN, W. Va., September 14.—George Reuben Wendling, lecturer and author, died today at his home here after an extended illness. He was seventy years old. He was born in Shelbyville, Ill., in 1845, and was a member of the Illinois constitutional convention in 1869. He had made his home here for the past twenty-five years.

## MIDDLE-AGED ENGLISHMEN MARCHING OFF TO WAR.



RECRUITS, ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR WIVES, GOING THROUGH LONDON TO ENTRAIN FOR THE FRONT.

## COLLEGE GOLF TITLE HANGING IN BALANCE

Yale and Princeton Men Survivors in Tourney at Greenwich Country Club.

NEW YORK, September 14.—Francis R. Blossom, one of Yale's best base ball players, and Grant A. Peacock, who has made quite a record for himself as a member of the Princeton hockey team, will fight it out today in the thirty-six hole final match for the intercollegiate golf championship at the Greenwich Country Club. Peacock defeated John Marshall, Jr., of Williams, 3 up and 2 to play in one of the thirty-six hole semi-final matches yesterday, while in the other Blossom won over Louis L. Bredin of Yale by a 7 and 6 margin.

In view of the fact that Peacock is fancied to win the title, chief interest yesterday centered in his contest with Marshall. Although the Williams player was able to play a good match, the quality of his golf was not up to that of Peacock except on the early nine holes. Both went out in 38 in the morning and they were all even at the turn. It was on the eleventh that Marshall began going badly, slicing his drive in the woods. On the fourteenth he sent his third shot out of bounds and after flubbing the next picked up. It was approximated at 7. The sixteenth, too, was lost when Marshall's second shot went skimming through some trees and he was lost distance. Even so, he was able to hold his own on some of the other holes and keep the margin of Peacock down to 1 when the first round was finished.

Squares the Match.

With a fine 3 on the third in the second round, Marshall squared the match, but Peacock, doing par or better, won three of the next four holes. Marshall won the eighth, when the Princeton man pulled his second shot to the right of the green, but Marshall's inattention cost him the ninth. This left Peacock 3 up.

Peacock won the eleventh when Marshall overapproached the green, but Peacock missed up the thirteenth by getting bunkered beyond the green. Three halved holes finished the match. The card:

MORNING ROUND.  
Peacock—3 4 5 5 5 3 4 3—38  
In—3 4 5 5 5 3 4 3—38  
Marshall—4 5 4 5 5 3 4 3—39  
Out—4 5 4 5 5 3 4 3—39

AFTERNOON ROUND.  
Peacock—4 4 4 5 4 4 5 3—38  
In—4 4 4 5 4 4 5 3—38  
Marshall—4 4 4 5 5 5 4 4—40  
Out—3 5 3 5 5 4 4 4—39

J. Bernd Rose, of Princeton captain, caddied for Peacock, and advised him from time to time.

Starts With Three Up.

Although Blossom was not in championship form on the first round, he was 3 up when he and Bredin retired for luncheon. Blossom might have scored better, but for two sevens, both approximated, one on the fourth and the other on the fourteenth. This was caused in the first instance by getting bunkered and in the second by slicing out of bounds on his third. Bredin showed good golf returning, but Blossom also took brace.

On the second round Blossom played the second hole badly, but he went along in undiminished fashion after that except for the long fourth. He quickly had Bredin at his mercy. The card:

MORNING ROUND.  
Blossom—4 4 4 7 5 4 4 4—40  
In—3 4 4 5 5 3 4 4—38  
Bredin—5 4 5 5 5 5 5 4—43  
Out—2 5 3 5 3 5 4 5—36

AFTERNOON ROUND.  
Blossom—4 5 5 6 4 4 4 4—36  
In—3 4 4 5 5 5 4 4—36  
Bredin—4 5 4 6 4 5 4 4—44  
In—2 5 4 4 4 5 4 4—36

Bredin, whose home is in Detroit, left last night for the west, planning to return in time for the Yale opening late this month. Marshall is a native of Kentucky, and formerly was champion of that state. His mother witnessed a portion of the match. He will remain here until college opens.

## STANDARD OF GRIDIRON SPORT IN DISTRICT SHOULD BE RAISED

High-Class Coaching and Superior Material Ought to Combine in Development of Exceptionally Strong Elevens.

BY H. C. BYRD.

Foot ball around Washington is likely to reach a greater development this season than in any previous year. This is true not only of the colleges, but the high and prep schools as well. Efforts to turn out competent elevens, never before as energetic, are being put forth and it looks very much as if exceptionally strong teams will be developed from a standpoint of the individuals composing them and the system of play used.

Georgetown, which always has taken the lead in foot ball in and around Washington, not only has an excellent squad at work, but the men are being tutored by the highest paid coach the Blue and Gray has ever had. It used to be the case at Georgetown that from \$700 to \$1,000 was a big salary, but unofficial statements have it—and they undoubtedly are true—that Exendine receives \$2,000. Helping Exendine is John O'Reilly, himself a former Holy Cross star and coach in the high schools of Boston. Besides these men (Charles Cox of long experience in the game, a graduate manager. With a splendid squad of candidates and such system to govern the development of the sport, Georgetown certainly ought to be represented by a team way above the average, and perhaps better than it has had.

Catholic University will most certainly put out the strongest eleven in its history. The Brooklanders are in pretty much the same position as Georgetown, having probably their best squad ready to turn out. While no good coaching system while several much has been said of the coaching policy at Catholic University, it is no secret that the school has several championship teams at Maryland Agricultural College, George Washington and Georgetown, will be in charge, and that in itself almost assures the Brooklanders of worthy representation. Catholic University is likely to place under Nelson the best squad of foot ball players it has ever had, and if that is the case some remarkable results may be looked for. Nelson gets results where others fail, because he knows how to get the most out of his men, as well as having a great strategic and technical knowledge of the game.

Gallaudet may not have as strong a team as the others, but, in fact, the chances are it will not. This is true for two reasons, the first of which is that the school has several members of the aggregation of stars who played a year ago, and the second, that its plans for coaching are very much unsettled, owing to the resignation of Fritz Crafts who would be unable to return to take charge. Crafts has had the team for the last two years and has had great success. That a new man will have to be obtained is not likely to be obtained, because he will not be familiar with conditions. However, there still is material for a good eleven at Kendall Green, and if a capable man takes charge the team as a whole is likely to be far superior to the average eleven of the small colleges.

Central High, Technical High, Business Western and Eastern are due to make another great fight for the interscholastic championship. Central, Technical and Business ought to be considered the favorites because of the greater number of boys to pick from. Their squads undoubtedly will be much larger and the material generally of a better character than turns out at Western and Eastern. The same coaches are to develop the elevens at the different schools, with the exception of Eastern. McCafferty, who has played an important part in turning out elevens at Eastern during the last few years, has gone to North Carolina to take charge of athletics at a school near Asheville, and he will be missed more than those who have no knowledge of his coaching at Eastern expect. Thomas and Central, Hart and Technical and Morse at Western, having full knowledge of the possibilities of their squads, will be a great deal of difficulty in turning out more capable elevens than played under them in 1914, especially in this true of Thomas and Hart, because Central and

## AMBASSADOR GERARD SEES HERR VON JAGOW

Improvement of German-American Relations Believed Object of Conference at Berlin.

BERLIN, September 13, via London, September 14.—The American ambassador, Mr. Gerard, had a long conversation this evening with Herr von Jagow, the German minister of foreign affairs. The discussion did not specifically concern the submarine question, nor was it evoked by any new developments in connection with that subject, but it was indicated after the conference that both the imperial chancellery and the foreign minister are endeavoring to improve German-American relations.

Prominent and well informed personages in Berlin express the belief that the diplomatic incident, almost all papers which comment admitting frankly and without bitterness that the United States is justified in the action it has taken in excusing Dr. Dumba through his patriotic interest in the Austro-Hungarian workers.

Public Opinion a Factor.

It is pointed out, however, that they are working under difficulties. Particularly in view of the keenness and ambition of the naval officers and public opinion, which is proud of the submarine achievements and is quick to protest against any open indication of a backward little is heard upon the munitions question and some of the comment is in friendly tone.

The reflex of this attitude can be seen in the press, from which an acrimonious and abusive tone toward America of late has been conspicuously absent. This is shown particularly in the comment on the diplomatic incident, almost all papers which comment admitting frankly and without bitterness that the United States is justified in the action it has taken in excusing Dr. Dumba through his patriotic interest in the Austro-Hungarian workers.

Children Bitten by Dogs.

Two children were bitten by dogs yesterday afternoon. One, 11 years old, of 1118 13th street, northwest, was passing Epiphany Church, on G street between 13th and 14th streets northwest, when a stray dog bit her on the leg. Her injuries were treated by a physician. Gladys Gray, colored, nine years old, of 1502 B street southeast, was bitten on the stomach by a dog while in a yard a short distance from her home. The child was treated at Washington Asylum Hospital.

## SHARP DECLINE IN EXPORTS.

No Official Explanation Offered as to Change.

Exports fell off sharply during the week ending September 11. They amounted to \$33,333,700, the lowest for one week this year and a drop of \$27,000,000 from the week preceding. The trade balance for the week fell to \$6,672,241. Although the figures represent only five days of actual business, no trade having been recorded for Labor day, the decrease is far out of proportion to the loss of a single day. Imports for the week were \$26,921,167. No definite explanation is available.

In official quarters for the change. Some officials believe trade has slackened while the British loan is being negotiated.

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